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FIBRE CHANNEL NETWORK § § Dkt. No.: 112-0019US

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g)(h), this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b), or that such information constitutes prior art.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure is being filed after receipt of a first Official Action, but before the close of prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, a fee of \$180.00 is believed to be due pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). *The USPTO is authorized to deduct this fee, and any other necessary fees, from or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 501922, referencing matter no. 112-0019US.*

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered and made of record in the present case, and that the Examiner initial the appropriate spaces on the Form 1449 to evidence the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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